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Maine Board of Pesticides Control

Policy on Citizen Requests for Sampling/Analysis of Potable Domestic Water Supplies

Because the Maine Board of Pesticides Control (BPC) has no funds dedicated for citizens requests for domestic water supply sampling and analysis, domestic water supplies will only be sampled under the following situations:

- 1) EPA provides funding for samples collected in conjunction with enforcement of federal and state pesticide laws. Accordingly, samples may be collected when there is evidence that a violation of pesticide law may have occurred.
- 2) EPA provides funding in support of State Management Plans (SMP's) for the protection of ground water from pesticide contamination. Samples may be collected consistent with the provisions of that plan. Under the BPC's proposed SMP, samples may be collected as part of a stratified random probability study or when evaluating the extent of detected contamination above specified Contaminant Action Levels.
- 3) The BPC may further authorize sampling, contingent upon available funding and consistent with Board policies and procedures.
- 4) The BPC will assist citizens seeking water tests to identify laboratories capable of performing the appropriate analysis.